REMARKS

The above amendments eliminates multiple dependency, including improper multiple dependency and makes minor editorial revisions.

Favorable action is now requested.

Pa) (...

Respectfully submitted,

David BELL

By Manhungerer

Matthew M. Jacob Registration No. 25,154 Attorney for Applicant

MJ/da Washington, D.C. 20006-1021 Telephone (202) 721-8200 Facsimile (202) 721-8250 January 26, 2004